



# **THE AMERICAN LEGION**

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## **DEPARTMENT OF WISCONSIN**

### **OFFICIAL CALL - FALL MEETING – 2023**

August 5, 2024

TO: Department Officers, Department Executive Committee, Americanism Committee, Camp American Legion Committee, Convention and Activities Commission, Finance Committee, Fundraising Committee, Internal Affairs Committee, Legislative Committee, Marketing & Communications Committee, Membership Committee, National & Homeland Security Committee, Veterans Affairs & Rehabilitation Committee, and Past Department Commanders

By direction of the Department Commander, the below named Officers, Committees, and Commissions will meet at Department Headquarters, 2930 American Legion Drive, Portage, Wisconsin 53901, on the date and time designated.

The Department Commander, Department Chaplain, Department Historian, Department Judge Advocate, Department Service Officer, National Executive Committeeman and Department Adjutant should **submit a written report to Department Headquarters no later than October 1, 2024**. You are requested to be at the Executive Committee meeting on Saturday, October 12, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. to answer any questions which the Executive Committee may have when the Department Commander takes up your respective report.

**The Chairs of the Committees and Commissions listed in the attached schedule shall give their report in person at the Department Executive Committee meeting on Saturday, October 12, 2024, at 9:00 a.m.** to answer any questions which the Department Executive Committee may have when the Department Commander takes up your respective report. Minutes of your meeting will be typed by the assigned Headquarters Team Member and must be approved by the Chair **no later than 5:30 p.m. on Friday, October 11, 2024**. A copy will be available to the Chairs Saturday prior to the start of the DEC meeting.

The Headquarters building will open for business at 8:00 a.m. on Friday October 11, 2024, and 8:30 a.m. on Saturday October 12, 2024. Although the Headquarters Team may be inside the building prior to the times listed, please be respectful of the times so they can prepare the meeting spaces and documents for the day's events.

The **Committee and Commission Chairs** are to email their Agendas items to Adjutant Julie Muhle at [julie.muhle@wilegion.org](mailto:julie.muhle@wilegion.org), cc: Angie at [angie@wilegion.org](mailto:angie@wilegion.org) and submit no later than **September 13, 2024**.

Commander Jim has set the Dress Code for the meetings as follows: Friday- slacks and Legion polo shirts and Saturday- coat and tie.

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**DEPARTMENT FALL MEETING**

**MEETING SCHEDULE**

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2024**

<b><u>COMMITTEE</u></b>	<b><u>TIME</u></b>	<b><u>ROOM</u></b>	<b><u>TEAM MEMBER</u></b>
Membership Committee	8:00 AM-10:00 AM	100	Julie Muhle
Museum	9:00 AM-10:00 AM	Museum	Angie Chappell

<b><u>COMMITTEE</u></b>	<b><u>TIME</u></b>	<b><u>ROOM</u></b>	<b><u>TEAM MEMBER</u></b>
Camp American Legion Committee	10:00 AM-12:00 PM	Mail Room	Angie Chappell
Fundraising Committee	10:00 AM-12:00 PM	102	Lisa Sherman
Americanism Committee	10:00 AM-12:00 PM	100	Sheri Hicks
National & Homeland Security Committee	10:00 AM-12:00 PM	101	Kelsey Tessmer

<b><u>COMMITTEE</u></b>	<b><u>TIME</u></b>	<b><u>ROOM</u></b>	<b><u>TEAM MEMBER</u></b>
Convention & Activities Commission	1:00 PM-3:00 PM	100	Angie Chappell
Veterans Affairs & Rehabilitation Committee	1:00 PM-3:00 PM	101	Lisa Sherman
Marketing & Communications Committee	1:00 PM-3:00 PM	102	Sheri Hicks

<b><u>COMMITTEE</u></b>	<b><u>TIME</u></b>	<b><u>ROOM</u></b>	<b><u>TEAM MEMBER</u></b>
Legislative Committee	3:00 PM-5:00 PM	102	Kelsey Tessmer
Finance Committee	3:00 PM-5:00 PM	100	Lisa Sherman
Internal Affairs Committee	3:00 PM-5:00 PM	101	Angie Chappell

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2024**

<b><u>COMMITTEE</u></b>	<b><u>TIME</u></b>	<b><u>ROOM</u></b>	<b><u>STAFF</u></b>
Department Executive Committee	9:00 AM	100-101-102	Julie Muhle

## **DEPARTMENT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

Jim Johnson, Commander  
Nathan Bond, Vice Commander  
Jerry Hook, Vice Commander  
Phil Green, Vice Commander  
Deborah Thomas, Vice Commander  
Robert L. Shappell, National Executive Committeeman  
David Wischer, Past Department Commander  
Greg Eirich, Past Department Commander  
Karl Stuvengen, Past Department Commander  
Candace Rothering, 1st District Commander  
Charlie Young, 2<sup>nd</sup> District Commander

Dan O'Brien, 3<sup>rd</sup> District Commander  
Steve Kohnke, 4<sup>th</sup> District Commander  
Craig Ellis, 5<sup>th</sup> District Commander  
Dave Steinert, 6<sup>th</sup> District Commander  
Chet Faith, 7<sup>th</sup> District Commander  
Adam Klapperich, 8<sup>th</sup> District Commander  
Terry McNulty, 9<sup>th</sup> District Commander  
Rita Rindahl, 10<sup>th</sup> District Commander  
Gerry Johnson, 11th District Commander  
Scott Markle, 12th District Commander

## **DEPARTMENT OFFICERS**

Julie Muhle, Department Adjutant  
Nicholas Lange, Department Judge Advocate  
John Berg, Department Sergeant-At-Arms  
Aimee Korger, Department Sergeant-At-Arms

Dennis Jaeger, Department Chaplain  
James Fialkowski, Department Service Officer  
Karl Stuvengen, Alternate National Executive Committeeman  
Michelle Adams, Department Historian

## **PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS**

James E. Chapin	Denise H. Rohan	Karl Stuvengen
Ted G. DeMicchi	Wayne W. Jensen	
Russell H. Hanseter	Kenneth J. Rynes	
Roger Mathison	Robert L. Shappell	
Steve Krueger	Dale H. Oatman	
David Gough	Daniel J. Seehafer	
Al Richards	Frank J. Kostka	
Charles J. Cooney	David Wischer	
David A. Kurtz	Mike Feirer (Honorary)	
Leo A. Endres	Greg Eirich	
Robert S. Batty	Julie Muhle	

## **AMERICANISM COMMITTEE**

Jerry Lauby, Chair  
Linda Pfeiffer, Member  
Paul Scharnweber, A&G Testing Chair  
TBD, Baseball Commissioner  
Allen Watry, SAL Chair  
Robert Stone, Oratorical Chair  
Corey Doehrmann, American Legion Riders President  
Steve Kohnke, DEC Liaison

Tom Visintainer, Vice Chair, County Youth Gov. Chair  
Craig Blumke, Member  
Bill Cosh, BBS Director  
John Edelblute, IV, Boy Scout Chair  
Norm Bednarek, Education & Scholarship Chair  
DuWayne Wieck, Shooting Sports Chair  
John Wolfe, WALLECA Chair  
Julie Muhle, Department Adjutant, Consultant

## **CAMP AMERICAN LEGION COMMITTEE**

Jeff Zwiers, Chair  
Victor Ambrose, Member  
Gregg Helgeson, Member  
Candace Rothering, DEC Liaison  
Jim Klement, Camp Director, Consultant  
James Fialkowski, Department Service Officer, Consultant  
Maggie Geiger, Auxiliary Consultant  
Brad Heller, Legion Riders Consultant

Denise Jamrozy, Vice Chair  
Kathryn Vander Molen, Member  
George Heck, Member  
Julie Muhle, Department Adjutant, Consultant  
Steve Krueger, VA&R Chair, Consultant  
Karl Stuvengen, Immediate Past Department Commander  
Richard Rieck, SAL Consultant

## **CONVENTION & ACTIVITIES COMMISSION**

Jim Schmidt, Chair  
Tom Strey, Member  
Chris Chinander, Member  
Adam Klapperich, DEC Liaison

Jim Kell, Vice Chair  
Phil Ingwell, Member  
Tom Carlson, Member  
Julie Muhle, Department Adjutant, Consultant

## **FINANCE COMMITTEE**

Tom Lay, Chair  
Paul Reilly, Member  
Mike Feirer, Member  
Dave Steinert, DEC Liaison  
Julie Muhle, Department Adjutant, Consultant

Ken Rynes, Vice Chair  
Gail Johnson-Daveau, Member  
Renee Jackson, Member  
Larry Larson, Fundraising Chair, Consultant

## **FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE**

Larry Larson, Chair  
David Fuller, Member  
John Healy, Member  
Chet Faith, DEC Liaison

Gene Hembrook, Vice Chair  
Migeal Babino, Member  
Rosanna Bogle, Member  
Julie Muhle, Department Adjutant, Consultant

## **INTERNAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE**

Wayne Jensen, Member  
Ted DeMicchi, Member  
Bob Batty, Member  
Denise Rohan, PNC, Ex-Officio  
Robert Shappell, DEC Liaison  
Nicholas P. Lange, Department Judge Advocate, Consultant

Roy Helms, Member  
David Gough, Member  
Al Richards, Member  
Daniel Seehafer, PNC, Ex-Officio  
Julie Muhle, Department Adjutant, Consultant

## **LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE**

Paul Fisk, Chair  
Cathy Gorst, Member  
Chuck Roessler, Member  
Dan O'Brien, DEC Liaison  
Nicholas P. Lange, Department Judge Advocate, Consultant

Nathan Coward, Vice Chair  
Harold Rihn, Member  
Morris Sadicario, Member  
Julie Muhle, Department Adjutant, Consultant

## **MARKETING & COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE**

Becky Stankevitz, Chair  
Nancy Rivera, Member  
Kaia Glenn, Member  
Phil Green, DEC Liaison  
Bonnie Dorniak, Auxiliary Liaison  
Julie Muhle, Department Adjutant, Consultant

Jim Schmidt, Vice Chair  
John Argust, Member  
Allen Nohl, Member  
Sheri Hicks, BL Editor, Consultant  
Michelle Adams, Department Historian

## **MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE**

Joe Leone, Chair  
John Stoczynski, Member  
Gail Minks, Member  
Nathan Bond, Vice Commander  
Phil Green, Vice Commander  
Candace Rothering, 1<sup>st</sup> District Commander  
Craig Ellis, 5<sup>th</sup> District Commander  
Terry McNulty, 9<sup>th</sup> District Commander  
Julie Muhle, Department Adjutant, Consultant

Jay Anderson, Vice Chair  
John Polzin, Member  
Alan McCormick, Member  
Jerry Hook, Vice Commander  
Deborah Thomas, Vice Commander  
Dan O'Brien, 3<sup>rd</sup> District Commander  
Chet Faith, 7<sup>th</sup> District Commander  
Gerry Johnson, 11<sup>th</sup> District Commander

## **NATIONAL AND HOMELAND SECURITY COMMITTEE**

Bob Bohr, Chair  
Richard Vander Molen, Member, POW/MIA Chair  
Jeff Puddy, Member  
Rita Rindahl, DEC Liaison

Ben VanHorn, Vice Chair  
Steve Isensee, Member, Blood Donor Chair  
Steve Kolodij, Member  
Julie Muhle, Department Adjutant, Consultant

## **VETERANS AFFAIRS & REHABILITATION COMMITTEE**

Steve Krueger, Chair  
Rich Ruland, Member  
Susie Krueger, Member  
Tim Baranzky, Homeless Vets Task Force Chair  
Felicia Decker, Hospital Chair  
James Fialkowski, Department Service Officer, Consultant  
Julie Muhle, Department Adjutant, Consultant

Steve Conto, Vice Chair, Cremated Remains Chair  
Dale Oatman, Member  
Terry Haney, Member  
Dave Walters, Employment Chair  
Scott Markle, DEC Liaison  
Jeff Zwiers, Camp Committee Chair, Consultant

## **HOTEL LISTING**

Listed below are hotels in the area of The American Legion Headquarters. This is enclosed for your convenience should you need a hotel room. **You will need to contact the hotel directly** to make your own arrangements.



### **Super-8 Motel**

3000 New Pinery Road  
Portage, WI 53901  
(608) 742-8330

EMAIL: [portagewis8@supertelinc.com](mailto:portagewis8@supertelinc.com)



### **Ridge Motor Inn**

2900 New Pinery Road  
Portage, WI 53901  
(877) 742-5306

<http://www.theridgemotorinn.com>



### **Best Western Resort Hotel & Conference Center**

2701 South CX  
Portage, WI 53901  
(608) 742-2200

<http://book.bestwestern.com/bestwestern/productInfo.do#null>



### **Comfort Suites**

N5780 Kinney Rd, Hwy 78  
Portage, WI 53901  
(608) 656-6804



### **Days Inn**

N5781 Kinney Road  
Portage, WI 53901  
(608) 742-1554